Department of State Facts About Our Most Valuable Asset – Our People (September 30, 2017 Counts)

Foreign Service	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Foreign Service Officers										
Career Ambassadors¹	6	3	2	7	9	8	7	4	4	3
Career Minister	19	22	26	24	23	29	30	27	27	19
Minister Counselor	388	374	386	388	380	385	410	423	431	385
Counselor	388	393	396	400	396	426	435	440	443	431
FS01 and below	5,890	6,257	6,728	7,011	7,174	7,152	7,269	7,221	7,260	7,214
Officer Sub Total	6,691	7,049	7,538	7,830	7,982	8,000	8,151	8,115	8,165	8,052
Foreign Service Specialists										
Career Minister			1	1	1		2	1	1	
Minister Counselor	36	33	34	37	39	41	41	43	35	29
Counselor	97	106	109	119	113	120	124	119	127	116
FS01 and below	4,832	5,069	5,326	5,532	5,641	5,636	5,632	5,593	5,511	5,445
Consular Fellows ²	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	37	35	70	141	231
Specialist Sub Total	4,965	5,208	5,470	5,689	5,794	5,834	5,834	5,826	5,815	5,821
Number of Foreign Service (FS) Employees	11,656	12,257	13,008	13,519	13,776	13,834	13,985	13,941	13,980	13,873
Number of Civil Service (CS) Employees	9,328	9,614	10,039	10,644	10,758	10,959	10,873	10,921	11,147	10,647
Number of Locally Employed Staff ³	37,089	41,658	43,632	44,491	45,351	45,911	46,648	48,033	50,104	50,360
Total Number of State Department Employees ⁴	58,073	63,529	66,679	68,654	69,885	70,704	71,506	72,895	75,231	74,880

¹ Career Ambassadors are normally counted with Career Ministers

² Formerly called Consular Adjudicators

³ Locally Employed Staff includes Foreign Service Nationals (FSN) and Personal Service Agreements (PSA)

⁴ Includes full-time permanent Direct Hire FS and CS personnel and all Locally Employed Staff.